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SUBJECT: SURINAM REQUEST FOR ASSIGNMENT TO UNESCO GROUP

1. LAST FALL 98TH EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UNESCO ADOPTED
RESOLUTION 6.1 WHICH, INTER ALIA, INVITED UNESCO MEMBER
STATES NOT YET ASSIGNED TO AT LEAST ONE OF ORGANIZATION'S
FIVE REGIONAL GROUPS TO INFORM DIRECTOR GENERAL M'BOW,
PRIOR TO 19TH GENERAL CONFERENCE (NAIROBI, OCTOBER 26 -
NOVEMBER 30), OF REGION IN WHOSE ACTIVITIES THEY WISH TO
PARTICIPATE.

2. OF FOUR UNASSIGNED MEMBERS, ISRAEL AND SAN MARINO HAVE
ALREADY SENT LETTERS TO DG M'BOW AND GRENADA IS IN PROCESS
OF DOING SO. IT IS ASSUMED THAT SURINAM, WHICH ONLY
BECAME MEMBER OF UNESCO JULY 16, HAS NOT YET INFORMED
M'BOW OF ITS DESIRE TO PARTICIPATE IN ACTIVITIES OF LATIN
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AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP. IN VIEW POSSIBILITY SURINAM

MAY OVERLOOK THIS LARGELY PROCEDURAL MATTER, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TAKE EARLY OPPORTUNITY TO BRING THIS TO ATTENTION OF GOS AND DISCRETELY NUDGE THEM TOWARD ACTION.

3. FYI. DEPT'S INTEREST IN THIS IS MOTIVATED BY OUR DESIRE TO FACILITATE ISRAELI ENTRY INTO EUROPEAN REGIONAL GROUP BY LINKING ACTION ON ISRAEL WITH ACTION ON ALL UNASSIGNED MEMBERS. HOWEVER, EMBASSY SHOULD AVOID ANY SUCH IMPLICATION, INDICATING SIMPLY THAT OUR APPROACH IS MOTIVATED BY FRIENDLY INTEREST. END FYI. HABIB

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